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## Home Information Center To Resume Classes Sept. 21

The Springfield Home Information Center at 150 Sumner Ave., is resuming their schedule of classes. A large variety of courses in home crafts will be offered to all interested persons in the Greater Springfield and suburban areas.

Classes in Canvas Embroidery, more commonly referred to as Needlepoint, will meet Monday afternoons, 1:30 to 3:30 and Tuesday evenings 7 to 9. The classes are designed to offer a new sampler for the beginner which includes many different stitches and shading of colors. For the advanced needlepointer it encourages them to further their interests and learn how to design if they so desire.

For beginners, a 10-week course in Crewel Embroidery, will be held on Wednesday and Thursday mornings 10 to noon and Wednesday evening 7 to 9. The ladies that complete these classes will have a lovely picture suitable for framing or use as a pillow to brighten their decor.

A Crewel Workshop for ladies who have taken a beginner's course will be held Monday mornings 9:15 to 11:15, Wednesdays 1:30 to 3:30, Thursdays 1 to 3 and Thursday evenings 7 to 9. These classes are for persons working on already designed patterns or for those who wish to show their own creative ability and design their own distinctive patterns.

For beginning Knitters, a 10-week course will be offered on

Tuesday morning from 10 to noon and will include all steps to complete a pullover or cardigan sweater. A Knitting Workshop for more advanced knitters is scheduled for Tuesday afternoons 1 to 3 for more complicated knitting projects.

Rug Hooking classes will resume their schedule on Sept. 18 and will be held every other Friday 10 to 3. On alternate Fridays, Rug Braiding classes will begin a new all-day schedule from 10 to 3. These classes are for both beginners and advanced students.

A new class in Upholstering will start on Thursday evenings 7 to 9. This will give a novice the opportunity to add a new look to that living room chair that has looked shabby for so long.

All these classes will begin the week of Sept. 21st. Registrations may be made by calling the Center at 733-7315 or by making a personal visit.

## K. of C. Install Officers Tonight

The President John F. Kennedy Council No. 5585 Knights of Columbus of Agawam will install its new officers for the 1970-71 fraternal year tonight at 8 p.m. at the council home on South St.

The officers to be installed are: Grand Knight, Charles E. Stebbins; Chaplain, Rev. Albert Blanchard of St. John the Evangelist Church; Deputy Grand Knight, Dick R. Niles; Chancellor, Edmund R. Francis; Recorder, Basil E. Duffy; Financial Secretary, J. J. Greguoli; Treasurer, Emile T. Grenier; Lecturer, James J. O'Keefe; Advocate, Steve A. Olivo; Warden, Bernard R. Tatro; Inside Guard, George W. Martin; Outside Guard, Alfred St. John; Trustees for 3 Years, James O. Girard; Trustees for 2 Years, Paul Patnaude; Trustees for 1 Year, John Dalton.

Delegates to State Convention, Charles E. Stebbins and James O. Girard; Alternates, Paul Patnaude and John Dalton.

Refreshments will be served after the installation.

## Shearer Receives Anderson Morin Scholarship Award

A panel of five judges this year selected Charles K. Shearer, Jr., to receive the Anderson-Morin Memorial Scholarship Award. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs.



CHARLES K. SHEARER, JR.  
Charles K. Shearer of Raymond Circle. This award is given

yearly in memory of Richard Anderson and Richard Morin, two former Agawam High School athletes, in recognition of scholarship, leadership, and athletic ability.

Shearer was selected to receive this award from an outstanding group of applicants. Formerly of small monetary value, the award was increased this year to \$200., due to the increasing cost of higher education.

"Chip" will enter the freshman class at Middlebury College and will major in Geology. He plans on going out for football and track, both of which he excelled in while at Agawam High School. Scholastically he maintained a "B" average for 4 years. He was also awarded the Gold certificate for the NEDT in 1967 and 1968.

In track, in 1968, Shearer was a member of the Valley Wheel (Please Turn To Page 3)

## ADDITIONAL NEW TEACHERS

Mr. Paul A. Tatro of Agawam will be the new Principal at Agawam High School to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Mr. Raymond Harris. Mr. Tatro is a 1940 graduate of Agawam High earning his BS from Harvard College in 1947. He earned his M.Ed. from Springfield College in 1952 and his C.A.G.S. in Guidance and Administration also from Springfield College in 1961. His experience includes 12 years as a teacher in Agawam and Springfield and 10 years as an administrator on the junior and senior high level in the Springfield Public School.

Mr. Robert A. Plasse of Springfield, a graduate of Holy Cross College in 1967 will teach English at the High School.

Mrs. Priscilla Prentice of West Springfield, a graduate of Simmons College, will teach Home Economics at the Junior High School.

Miss Gail Riley of Holyoke, a graduate of the University of Mass. in 1970, will teach at Robinson Park.

Mrs. Holly S. Ryall of Agawam, a graduate of Cardinal Cushing College, will teach Math at the Junior High.

Mr. Robert T. Sartwell of Longmeadow, a graduate of American International College, will teach Science at the Junior High.

Mrs. Jeanne A. Schuhmann of Springfield, a graduate of Elms College with an MA from the University of Mass., will teach English at the High School.

Mr. David N. Smith of Springfield, a graduate of Springfield College in 1965, will teach Elementary Physical Education.

Mrs. Wendy M. Sroka of Springfield, a graduate of Hartt College of Music in 1970, will teach music at the Junior High.

Mrs. Nancy W. Swikalus of Feeding Hills, a graduate of Fitchburg State College in 1963, will teach Grade 3 at South Elementary.

Mrs. Patricia A. Valore of West Springfield, a graduate of Westfield State College in 1970, will teach Grade 5 at Benjamin J. Phelps School.

Miss Laura A. Vigneault of Longmeadow, a graduate of Westfield State College in 1970, will teach Grade 2 at Benjamin J. Phelps School.

## AHS Class of '50 Plan 20th Reunion

The class of 1950 of Agawam High School is planning a 20th class reunion on Saturday evening, Sept. 26th, at the Ye Olde Coach Inn, Agawam.

John Mercadante, chairman, announced that plans have been completed and there will be a cocktail hour at 6:30 followed by dinner and dancing.

The committee needs the address of the following members: Abigail Ferry and Patricia Brissetts.

Any member needing additional information contact Mrs. Rita (Shea) Culberhouse, 722 South West St., Feeding Hills, Mass.

## 'Y' To Run New Fall Bus Program

Mario Sakellis, director of the local "Y" announces that the Agawam "Y" will be running a new Fall bus trip program starting Saturday, Oct. 3.

This program is for boys and girls in grades 1-6, and will be carried out using the West Springfield "Y" building. Because the local "Y" does not have their own indoor winter facilities, arrangements have been made to use the West Side "Y".

**SATURDAY MORNINGS**  
For boys and girls in grades 3-6, on Saturday mornings a bus will go all around the town of Agawam starting at 8 a.m. It will return at 12 noon.

Programs will include gym, swimming lessons for those who need them, and recreational activities. Boys and girls will be placed in small groups.

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON**  
On Saturday afternoon, boys and girls in grades 1 and 2 will be bussed from Agawam starting at 12:30, and will be returning at about 4. These youngsters will have club, gym and swimming instructions.

**REGISTER IN ADVANCE**  
Registrations for this program and other "Y" programs must be made in advance at the "Y" office. To register, call the Agawam YMCA, 781-5600.

## AHS Band Selected For Opening Ceremonies Friday At 'Big E'

The Agawam High School Band has again been selected to provide music for the official opening ceremonies of the Eastern States Exposition on Friday, Sept. 18 at noon-time in the Court of Honor.

Although it is only a little over a week after the start of school and one-fourth of the members are new to the organization, the band manages to prepare a program of music for this event.

A concert at the band shell in the Big E will also be presented

## Cub Pack #89 To Meet Sept. 25

Agawam Cub Pack #89 will hold their first meeting of the 1970-71 season at the Benjamin Phelps School on Friday evening, Sept. 25th, at 7.

This meeting is the annual registration roundup and all boys between the ages of 8 and 10 who are interested in becoming a Cub Scout are invited to attend.

Boys who were members of Pack #89 last year and still eligible for cubbing are also invited.

Notices of the meeting have been distributed to all boys in Grades 3 thru 5 at the Benjamin Phelps and South Schools.

Boys attending the meeting must be accompanied by at least one parent.

## 'Y' To Help Busy Mothers

The local YMCA will offer a pre-school program for youngsters, ages 2-4, on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9-12, beginning Oct. 6.

Mrs. John McCloskey and Mrs. Mario Sakellis, both qualified teachers, will be working with the children in a varied program which will include art, music, stories, songs, games and other learning experiences.

The size of the class will be limited. All those interested are encouraged to contact the "Y" 781-5600 for more information and application forms.

## Scout Packs #82 Register Sept. 18-21

Boy Scout Troop #82 registration will be held on Friday evening, Sept. 18th at 7 in the parish hall of the Congregational Church.

On Monday evening, Sept. 21st at 7 registration for Cub Scout Pack #82 will also be held in the above parish hall.

All boys between the ages of 8 and 10 or 7 year olds who are in the third grade are invited to attend with at least one parent.

## Roy E. Benjamin Democratic Candidate For Assessor

Citing his wide experience in land planning, real estate, and working with people, Roy E. Benjamin recently announced that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Assessor.

"I won't make any promises that I can't keep," he said, "but I will promise fair assessments in order that everyone pays his fair share of the tax burden."

As chairman of the Town's planning board, Benjamin said that his "strong sense of dedication to the responsibilities of that office" is demonstrated by his perfect attendance at all scheduled meetings, except one, and by his ability to "justify the decisions of that board, on the basis of facts" and pledged that he would bring to the office of Assessor that which was characteristic of him as an elected planner.

A life-long resident of Agawam, Benjamin graduated from

the high school with academic and athletic honors in football, baseball and basketball. He is also a graduate of American International College.

In addition to his position as Chairman of the Planning Board, Benjamin is a Town (Please Turn To Page 5)

## Handwriting Analyst Featured at First C.W.C. Meeting

A new membership tea will be the setting for the first fall meeting of The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam to be held in St. John's Hall, Monday evening, Sept. 21, at 8:30 p.m. President Mrs. J. Rene Hamel will preside.

Mrs. Joseph Lovotti, chairman of the program, will introduce John J. Swanson, a handwriting analyst, as guest speaker.

Mrs. Claude Ouellette, chairman of hospitality, with her committee, will serve on hospitality.





McKinley ran again in 1900 with Teddy Roosevelt of New York. In September of 1901, Roosevelt became President after McKinley was assassinated.

Roosevelt became famous for his quotation, "Speak softly and carry a big stick," referring to foreign affairs. He negotiated treaties with Panama and Great Britain making possible the purchase of the Panama Canal and the resumption of its construction. He impressively displayed American military strength by sending the battleship fleet around the world and intervened to successfully bring a settlement of the Russo-Japanese War with the Treaty of Portsmouth (N.H.).

By the end of his second term, Teddy was known for his strong stand on conservation and for the establishment of the Bureau of Reclamation and the Forest Service. During his Administration, the Department of Commerce and Labor and the Food and Drug Administration were also created, and meat inspection and court proceedings against trusts were begun.

In 1908, TR bowed to the tradition of Republicans not seeking a third term and named as his choice of successor his Secretary of War, William Howard Taft. The Democrats, who had fared badly in 1904 with a rather colorless candidate, Judge Alton B. Parker, turned again to William Jennings Bryan whom Taft defeated.

Taft, as President, continued the prosecutions against monopolies begun under Roosevelt and fulfilled the pledge of tariff revision in the Republican plat-

form. The tariff which resulted in reducing some rates but there was general dissatisfaction with it, even among Republicans, and the Democrats captured control of the House in 1910.

Taft also strongly supported two Constitutional amendments—the Sixteenth, authorizing a federal income tax, and the Seventeenth, providing for the direct election of Senators. He went one step further than Roosevelt and established a separate Department of Labor.

Teddy Roosevelt became a factor in the election of 1912. Upon returning from an African hunting trip and European tour, he overcame his original opposition to running for a third term when he found Taft to be too conservative. Just before the convention, he described himself as feeling like a "bull moose."

At the convention, after a dispute over the seating of the delegates, Taft was renominated. Roosevelt's supporters adjourned to another hall and offered him the nomination. He accepted only on the condition that another party be formed; he and Hiram Johnson of California then ran on the Progressive (Bull Moose) ticket. Partially as a result of the Republican split, Democrat Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey was elected by a heavy electoral majority but with only a small plurality of the popular vote.

After the convention, Republicans began to regroup and in the 1914 Congressional elections made large gains in the House. Wilson won again in 1916 beating Charles Evans Hughes on the slogan that Wilson "has kept us out of war." A month after this inauguration, Wilson could no longer keep the Nation out of war and the United States became involved in World War I.

By 1918, Republicans were united again and Wilson appealed for votes by saying, "The return of a Republican majority in either house of Congress would be interpreted on the other side of the water as a repudiation of my leadership." The re-

sponse was the election of a Republican Congress and Wilson's popularity began to decline.

### To Visit AHS



DEBORAH L. HOWLAND

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.—Debbie Howland, Admissions Officer at American International College will visit students at Agawam High School on Sept. 16 at 1 p.m.

Miss Howland, a 1970 graduate of AIC, a native of Reading, Mass., joined the AIC admissions staff this year immediately after she received the McGown Trophy, awarded annually to a member of the graduating class for outstanding academic and co-curricular ability.

During her undergraduate days at AIC, Miss Howland, a member of Alpha Upsilon Sorority and treasurer of the Inter-Sorority Council, served as a dormitory counselor. She was president of the dormitory council, also on the Student Government-Faculty-Administration Judicial Board and active on the homecoming committee.

Her duties at AIC include interviewing prospective students throughout the entire Northeast, general admissions work and speaking to high school and preparatory students about the advantages of attending AIC.

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21  
ROUTE 1

Audubon, Arnold, Broz Ter., Carmen Ave., Cleveland, Coronet Cir., Duclos Dr., Francis, Gale, Grant, Hall, Harding, Homer, James, Letendre Ave., Liberty, Maynard, McKinley, Norman Ter., Norman Ter. Ext., North, Oak Lane, Pleasant Dr., Ridgeway Dr., Robin Ln., Sherman Ave., Sylvan Ln., Taft, Walton Ln., Wilbert Ter., Wilson, and Woodland St.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22  
ROUTE 2

Acorn, Agnoli Pl., Annabelle, Bessbrook, Chapin, Cherry, Colemore, Daniel, Day, Eastern Ave., Fenton, Franklin, Fruwirth Ave., Giffin Pl., Greenock, Hastings, Hayes Ave., Henry, Highland, Horsham Pl., Kensington, Lenox, Lincoln, Line, Mooreland, Norris, Norwood, Oak, Park, Pierce, Portland Pl., Ralph, Rhodes Ave., Sequoia Dr., Springfield, White, William and Witheridge St.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23  
ROUTE 3

Barn Rd., Begley, Birchwood Ter., Bridge, Brookside Pl., Church, Columbus, Cooley, Cottage, Country Rd., Dwight, Ellington, George, High, Highland Ave., Hillcrest Ave., Howard, Keating Ln., King, King Ave., Laurel, Lexington, Maple, McGrath Ter., Moore, Morris, Mulberry, Oak Ave., Oak Hill Ave., Orchard, Ottawa, Pasadena, Prospect, Randall, River, Rowley, Royal Ln., Royal, Scherpa, Spencer, Spring, Summer, Sutton Pl., Tower Ter., Valley, Walnut, Walnut St. Ext., and Winthrop St.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24  
ROUTE 4

Alexander Ave., Belmont Ave., Belydere, Briar Hill Rd., Brookline, Carol Dr., Churchill Ave., Clover Hill Dr., Columbia Ave., Country View Cir., Daniel, Fordham Ave., Fox Farms Rd., Granger Dr., Harvard Ave., North St. Ext., No. Westfield, N. West, Northwood, New York Ave., Oriole Dr., Parkview Dr., Pleasant Valley Rd., Provin Mt. Dr., Richmond Ave., Ridgeview Dr., Robin Ridge Dr., Strawberry Hill Rd., Squire Ln., Roosevelt Ave., Thalia Dr., Vassar Dr. and Yale Ave.

Holidays are a lot of fun. Don't spoil them by not concentrating on your driving. Vacationing is only fun if you get there.



## College News

Miss Carol McLean of Agawam was one of 46 upper classmen at Keuka College (Keuka Park, N. Y.) who assisted in the New Student Week program for entering students. She is a member of the class of 1972. The orientation program included group meetings on academic, social, and student government activities at Keuka. Miss McLean is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl McLean of 14 Greenacre Lane.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor  
Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director  
Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist  
Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary

Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church; 3:30 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Morning worship — Rev. Lockhart will preach service... Senior Choir will sing.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. ... Trading Post open.

## GARRISON'S SHIP WINS BATTLE EFFICIENCY AWARD

USS LONG BEACH — Navy Petty Officer Second Class Donnie L. Garrison, husband of the former Miss Coral S. Bissonnette of 21 Mulberry St., Agawam, wears an "E" on his uniform to indicate that his ship, the nuclear powered missile cruiser USS Long Beach, recently won the battle efficiency competition held annually among all cruisers in the Pacific Fleet.

Garrison also celebrated his ship's ninth commissioning anniversary on Sept. 9, 1970.

Always keep a safe distance between your car and the one in front. At least ten feet should be allowed between cars for every 10 miles of travel speed. If you drive any closer you might come to a dead end.

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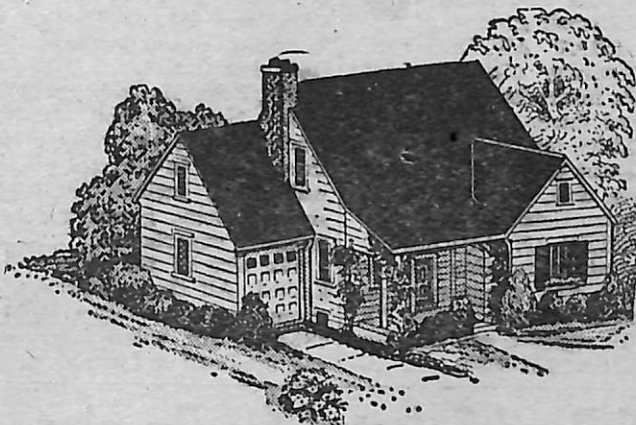
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We have reached that time of year, when our voters must consider candidates for local, state and national elections.

For those who are conscientious voters, the choices must be extremely difficult to make. If each of us knew each candidate personally, the difficulty would perhaps, be lessened. Unfortunately, this cannot be the case. Therefore, other criteria must be used.

Professional politicians have indicated that physical appearance and photogenic characteristics can carry the heaviest burden. Ability to appeal vocally would also carry high priority. A former record could not be overlooked. Financial ability to display the candidates' name can overcome weaknesses in the above areas. Supplement these assets with good political timing and a strong contender is produced. This is primarily due to the fact that the lazy observer is now entangled in the clutches of persuasive public opinion.

It is my opinion that a choice made by following the pattern described above is a basic weakness in democracy. I, do not protest that subconsciously a group wants to be led by an attractive individual. Likewise, an excellent orator is difficult to whip. And in the matter of ample finances, one seems to instinctively associate wealth with prestige. I must also add that the average voter, as in any other situation, wants to be on the winner's side. Losing is not a likeable position as listed in American attitudes. But the public is the actual loser when they succumb to the unworthy candidate. The sad part about this is the fact that they have passed the point of "no return."

During the few weeks ahead why not make your choice of candidates a family problem? Certainly, more than the one or two voters in the homes are affected. In your discussion, why not give high priority to the candidate's dedication? Every man or woman runs for office for a reason. Try to find out what that reason is. Next examine his stamina and ambition. The candidate must present examples of intense mental honesty. Remember that you won't be present for every decision he is asked to make. Will your candidate change his attitude once elected? Too many officeholders fail to remember that they represent others, and eventually become egotists.

My experience in local politics has convinced me that most of the best workers are not "loud talkers," but are the dependable people who let their accomplish-

ments speak for themselves and don't expect praise for every deed. I am also convinced that the most efficient workers do not associate party labels with their endeavors. The success and bipartisan selections to our appointed committees attest to this observation.

In summary, it is "honest-to-goodness" "Real people" whom you are encouraged to select. Neither "good looks", money, or oratory make sound decisions of themselves. The smartest man in the country won't help you unless he is present. The greatest orator in the world can do no good unless his speech makes sense.

So I suggest that at home, your family take one hour longer, or more if necessary, to deliberate the hidden virtues of your candidate. Your first satisfaction will come from the fact that you did just this and your final satisfaction will be evident when your elected candidate produces exactly as you knew he would.

I did not write this article in support of any particular candidate, including myself, but rather to challenge you to use your voting prerogative in the most sensible manner.

George L. Reynolds, Selectman

### 4,000 Helmets, Anyone?

Romford, England

Brian Hughes lined up a buyer for 4,000 wartime military-police helmets at \$2.40 each and purchased them at a military-surplus auction. The buyer backed out, leaving Mr. Hughes with a house full of helmets and he said he would sell them at \$1.20 each, or 36 cents apiece to anyone who would take the lot.

## Shearer Receives . . .

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championship team and took 2nd place in the Valley Wheel, as well as 4th place in Western Mass. in the javelin event which earned him a bronze medal. In 1969, he placed 3rd in the George Steel Relays and 4th in Valley Wheel. In 1970, he placed 2nd in the Steel Relays, 2nd in Western Mass. and 2nd in Valley wheel which gave him 2 silver medals. That same year he broke the school record with a throw of 190' 9" and was co-recipient of the MVP award.

Shearer played freshman and varsity football and received the Morin Award given to the outstanding sophomore as well as the Roger LeClere Lineman of the Year award in his senior year. He joined the "Leaders in Training" program at the YMCA when in Junior High School and served as a Jr. Councilor and Asst. Sr. Councilor. He is holder

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of the Boy Scout "God and Country Award."

In addition to the Anderson-Morin scholarship he received awards from the Agawam Junior Women's Club and the Grid-iron Moms.

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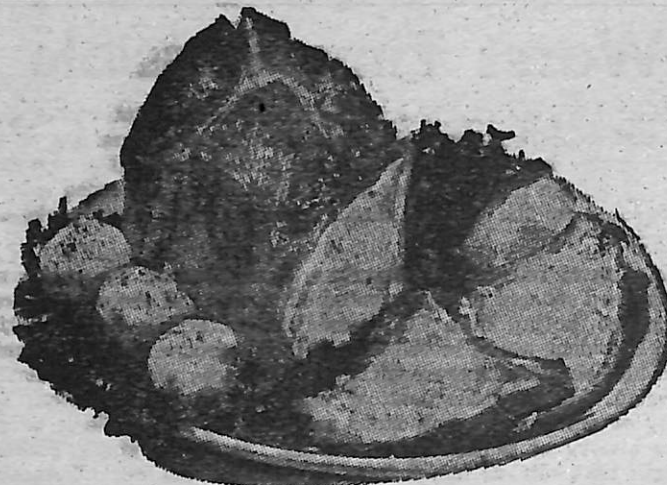
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¾ cup chopped onion	

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## Worst Time Possible

Much has been said of late concerning a constitutional amendment that would substitute the direct election of a President of the United States for the present electoral college method of selecting a man to fill the highest office in the land. Many concerned citizens are opposed to the idea of direct elections, and their ranks are growing.

In a news release, the American Farm Bureau Federation expresses deep concern about proposed elimination of the electoral college system noting that, "The establishment of the direct election of the President would be the first step in a process which eventually would abolish state representation in Congress and let population determine the apportionment of members in both Houses. The duality of our government, state and federal, has made it unique in the history of popular governments. It is the single greatest strength that sets us apart from the rest of the world." Another opponent of the direct election, Mr. Richard N. Goodwin, writing in the Washington, D.C., Post observes, "Direct election might well bring us a farmers' party, a senior citizens' party, a black party and other groups coalescing around common interest and belief. . . . If this is so, then direct election could not come at a worse time—when the tendency to political fragmentation and ideological division is reaching new heights."

Direct election of a President could be the beginning of a catastrophic alteration in the U. S. constitutional system under which our people have enjoyed a greater measure of liberty than any other people in history.



Sept. 21

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### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Baked luncheon loaf w/pineapple, mashed potatoes, peas/carrots, rye bread/butter, peanut butter sandwich, gingerbread w/topping.

Tuesday: Orange juice, meat ball grinder, garden salad w/tomato and spinach greens, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce.

Wednesday: Tomato juice, hamburger on roll, potato chips, buttered green beans, peanut butter sandwich, raisin cake w/butter icing.

Thursday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered spinach, bread/butter, peanut butter sandwich, brownie.

Friday: Pineapple juice, pizza w/meat, cheese and tomato sauce, carrot and celery sticks, peanut butter sandwich, peanut butter cookies.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Hamburg and gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, jello w/topping.

Tuesday: Juice, pressed ham sandwich on Vienna bread, tossed salad w/spinach greens, potato chips, applesauce cake.

Wednesday: Juice, shell macaroni w/meat sauce, cabbage/carrot salad, Vienna bread, chocolate cake w/topping.

Thursday: Juice, sloppy Joe on buttered bun, buttered carrots, sliced peaches.

Friday: Fish burger on bun, tartar sauce, buttered corn, pumpkin cake.

### DANAHY

Monday: Juice, frankfurt on roll, mixed vegetables, prune spice cake.

Tuesday: Chicken soup with noodles/vegetables, meat and peanut butter sandwiches, fruit, cookies.

Wednesday: Macaroni w/tomatoes and meat sauce, bread/butter, green beans, applesauce.

Thursday: Chicken in gravy, mashed potatoes, bread/butter, broccoli, fudgie.

Friday: Grilled cheese or peanut butter sandwich, cabbage/carrot salad, potato chips, peaches, cookie.

### GRANGER

Monday: Beef stew, peanut butter sandwich, cabbage/carrot salad, jello w/whipped topping.

Tuesday: Spaghetti w/meat and tomato sauce, green beans, bread/butter, fresh fruit.

Wednesday: Hamburg on buttered roll, catsup, cheese cube,

onion rings, whole kernel corn, cantalope.

Thursday: Orange juice, barbecued beef on roll, carrot sticks, apple square.

Friday: Juice, fish sticks (catsup), mashed potato, peas/carrots, bread/butter, chilled fruit cup.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Orange juice, grilled frankfurt on hot buttered roll, baked beans, carrot sticks, peanut butter sandwich, rosy applesauce.

Tuesday: Beef-pot pot w/potato topping, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, chocolate cake w/mocha icing.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w/tomato, meat sauce, buttered green beans, cheese wedge, bread/butter, sliced pears.

Thursday: Oven baked luncheon meat, hash brown potatoes, buttered peas/carrots, peanut butter sandwich, fruited jello w/topping.

Friday: Grilled cheese sandwich, one-half deviled egg, tomato-corn casserole, peanut butter sandwich, mixed fruit cup.

### PHELPS

Monday: Juice, frankfurt in buttered roll, relish, mustard, buttered mixed vegetables, potato chips, cocoa krispies.

Tuesday: Hamburg gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered carrots, bread/butter, butter cake with frosting.

Wednesday: Juice, ham/cheese grinder, lettuce and mayonnaise, carrot sticks, fruit.

Thursday: Juice, hamburger on roll, relish, onions and catsup, green beans, applesauce.

Friday: Fish sticks, mashed potatoes, cabbage/carrot salad, blueberry muffins, ice cream.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Tomato soup/crackers, peanut butter sandwich, raw vegetable tray, cookies w/fruit.

Tuesday: Orange juice, grinders (ham, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes), potato chips, fruit.

Wednesday: Macaroni w/meat sauce, buttered wax beans, bread/butter, applesauce.

Thursday: Citrus juice, frankfurt on buttered roll, mustard, relish, buttered carrots, white cake w/raspberry topping.

Friday: Fish sticks w/tartar sauce, mashed potatoes, buttered vegetables, peanut butter sandwich, dessert.

### SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, chicken noodle soup w/diced carrots, celery sticks, grilled cheese on rye, oatmeal cookie, apple.

Tuesday: Sloppy Joe on buttered hard roll, buttered spinach, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce cake w/topping.

Wednesday: Hot open turkey sandwich w/gravy, glazed sweet potatoes, buttered peas, cranberry sauce, fruit cup.

Thursday: Baked shell macaroni w/meat sauce, cabbage/carrot salad, homemade buttered yeast rolls, applesauce.

Friday: Orange juice, tuna-burger on buttered roll, lettuce and tomato salad w/French dressing, cake w/banana topping.

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Susan Virginia Eaton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester B. Eaton of 10 Harvard St., Rutland, Vt., and Robert Allan Gingras, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Gingras of 41 Monroe St., Agawam, were united in marriage Saturday Aug. 29 at 2 p.m. The Rev. Donald W. Morgan performed the double ring ceremony at Grace Congregational United Church of Christ in Rutland.

The bride wore an empire waist gown of silk organza with a Chantilly lace panel from the high neck to the bottom of the hem. Full bishop sleeves and cuffs were enhanced with peau d'Ange lace. A detachable train with a lace panel fell from the empire waist. Her veil fell from a half hat of Alencon lace and seed pearl trim.

Miss Joan E. Small of Mendon, Vt., was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Cynthia E. Adams of Southington, Conn., and Miss Ann L. Craig of Rutland. The attendants wore pink empire waist gowns with a boat neckline and full sleeves.

Best man was David T. Gaffney of Fairfield, Conn. Ushers were David K. and Richard E. Gingras, Jr., brothers of the groom, and Wayne Kerez, all of Agawam.

A reception at Mountain Top Inn at Chittenden, Vt., followed the ceremony. Miss Sandra Hammond of Rutland was in charge of the guest book.

Mrs. Gingras graduated from Rutland High School and Dean Junior College at Franklin, Mass., with a medical secretarial degree. Her husband graduated from Agawam High School and

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## Round The Town



By Ann Nael  
phone ST 8-8996

The Malachowski family gathered for a reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Casella, 193 Elm St., Agawam. It was attended by over 150 people with four generations present. They came from East Orange and Wayne, N.J., Landsdale, Penn., Remington and New Britain, Conn., Quincy, Mass., and Springfield and Agawam.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Leask of 323 Springfield St., Agawam are the parents of a baby girl, born Sept. 9th at Mt. Sinai Hospital, Hartford. Mrs. Leask is the former Eileen Otto of Agawam. The maternal parents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Otto of 21 River St., Agawam and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Leask of Alaska.

Wilson-Thompson Unit #185 will hold an organizational meeting on Monday, Sept. 21st at 8 p.m. at the Legion Home. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

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## Roy E. Benjamin . . .

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meeting member and a member of the Democratic Town Committee.

Benjamin, his wife, the former Virginia Burton, and their daughter, Kimberly Ann, reside at 89 River Rd.

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## Agawam Sr. Girls Tops In Springfield League

Agawam is very proud of their representative team for winning top honors in the first year of their entrance in the Springfield Girls' Softball League.

The Senior Division Team of the Agawam Girls Inter-Church League were victorious in the scheduled games with a 13-1 standing and were also victors in the semi-finals of the playoff games, wherein the top four teams competed for the best two of three games.

The Agawam league was organized nine years ago by Mrs. Wyly Brame who is the director. The players, most of them have been in the league since the age of 10, have been instilled with values of good sportsmanship and wholesome recreation.

The first lineup for the games was as follows: Cindy Ekstedt, captain, pitcher; Lauren Roberts, co-captain, catcher; Dione Gendron, 1st base; Laura Wylie, 2nd base; Diana Cross, 3rd base; Ann Ryan, shortstop; Laurine Greguoli, right field; Janet Dalmolin, center field; Holly Garvey, left field. Other participating team members were: Debbie Fydenkevez, Susan Hamel, Pauline Sosnowich, Susan Carey, Nancy Beauregard, Erin Scanton, Cathy Dowd and Debbie

Poulos.

Mrs. Brame extends her sincere appreciation to coaches Wyly Brame and Frank Allen. Many thanks to Mrs. Lucille Gendron, the team's very capable scorekeeper and to Bill Ekstedt and Ed Gendron who also assisted in coaching. Parents are to be commended for their cooperation in transporting players and for their attendance at games.

### Jr. Division Standings

The Agawam Congregational Junior team, coached by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Meissner, led the 20 game series with a 6-2 standing, and won the rotating trophy. St. John #1, coached by Walter Garvey, was 5-3; St. Anthony, coached by Karen Lonerini and Rosemary Scannel, was 4-4; St. John #2, coached by Diane Coventry and Elizabeth Grimaldi, was 3-5; Feeding Hills Congregational, coached by Janet Maciotra, was 2-6. Sincere appreciation is extended to the Junior Division coaches and scorekeepers for their conscientious participation which made wholesome and pleasurable recreation possible for so many girls.

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## 'Y' Plans Sports Equipment Sale

The Agawam "Y" is planning a Winter Sports Equipment Sale for the weekend of Oct. 24 and 25.

The "Y" is asking everyone who has skates, ski equipment, sleds, toboggans and winter clothing which has been outgrown to bring it to the "Y" office at 108 Perry Lane on consignment. Twenty percent of the sales price will go to the "Y".

Fall cleaning season is here, and many useful items which might be discarded are worth saving for October 24 and 25.

## Racing Ends At Lebanon With 200 Lap Event

WEST LEBANON, N. Y. — This Saturday night will be the final night of regular stock car racing at the Lebanon Valley Speedway for 1970. The 6th annual Lebanon Valley 200 this Saturday afternoon will bring the season to a close.

Sportsman, Limited Sportsman and Formula VW stock cars plus a demolition derby will highlight the evening's program.

The Sportsman stock cars will run qualifying heats, consolation and a 35 lap feature with \$1000 going to the winner from the purse of \$6350. This will be their last opportunity to test their cars for the upcoming 200.

The Limited Sportsman will cap their qualifying events with a 20 lap feature and the Formula VW cars will run their feature event.

As a finale to the night's activities, a smashing demolition derby will be staged on the track in front of the main grandstand. Drivers will deliberately crash into each other until only one car remains running.

The Lebanon 200 will qualify forty-four of the fastest cars on the East coast through heats, consolation events and a special non-qualifiers race, to take the green in the classic event.

The Lebanon 200 has a purse of \$11,000 plus lap money on the line with \$3000 going to the winner of the event.

Gates open at 12 noon with the first qualifying heat scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m. Advance sale reserved seat tickets are on sale now at the speedway.

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## THOMPSON 500 THIS SUNDAY

THOMPSON, CONN. — There will be \$4000, a guaranteed starting spot in the National Open Championship at Langhorne, Pa. plus a big step toward the NAS-CAR National Modified Championship waiting for the winner of the Thompson 500 National Championship Modified Stock Car Race at the Thompson Speedway this Sunday afternoon.

The prize money and the National Title should mean all to these drivers but the spot in the National Open Championship is the most coveted prize to pick up. The National Open carries prize money of over \$40,000 and is the most sought after crown in modified stock car racing.

Entry blanks have been forwarded to all drivers east of the Mississippi River from Daytona Beach, headquarters of the NAS-CAR International sanctioning body. Over 100 cars and drivers are expected to vie through the time trials for one of the fifty starting spots in the National Championship race.

Warmups for the cars will get under way at 12 noon. Time trials will start at 1:30 p.m. and the Thompson 500 National Championship Race will get under way at 3 p.m.

Ticket gates will open at 10 a.m. for the fans who wish to arrive early for all the preliminary events on the Thompson 500 Championship Day. General admission is pegged at \$6.00 for adults and children, 5 through 11 years of age, admitted for only \$2.00. Admission prices include all taxes, free parking and a seat in the grandstand or elevated bleacher sections.

The rain date for the Thompson 500 National Championship Stock Car Race is the next week, Sunday, Sept. 27.



THIS WEEK'S  
BEST BUYS from  
MASSACHUSETTS FARMS

Courtesy of Massachusetts Department of Agriculture

TWO HEADS ARE BETTER THAN ONE! This is especially true when we are talking about cabbage. This week, according to the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture, many of the

large food markets will be featuring cabbage at their produce counters.

Our local farmers are now harvesting an excellent crop of cabbage. In fact, it is in surplus supply right now and is selling for 12 to 19 cents a pound at latest report.

Cabbage originally grew wild in various parts of Europe. From its wild state, the cabbage has been brought to its present state of perfection very gradually, by careful selections under cultivation. Three groups of cabbage are seen on the produce counter—the green smooth leaved, the crinkly leaved Savoy and Red Cabbage. Chinese cabbage actually resembles celery, and is not considered to be a member of the cabbage family. The green cabbage is the one most familiar to us.

Cook fresh cabbage the shortest time possible and use very little water to save its high nutritive value.

Never over-cook cabbage, because the flavor gets strong and it loses its crisp texture. The cooking time in a saucepan should be only 3 to 10 minutes for shredded cabbage of different varieties.

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4-6, will be held at the Junior  
High School field from 10-12.

Monday is Agawam day at the  
Exposition Youth-a-rama Build-  
ing. The Agawam "Y" Synchron-  
ized Swim Team will put on  
demonstrations if the weather  
permits.

Wednesday, the 23rd, Mario  
Sakellis will attend a staff con-  
ference at Camp Norwich.

#### JUDO

Judo instruction for boys and  
girls' ages 10-14 will be offered  
again this year at the West  
Springfield YMCA beginning on  
Oct. 10 from 10:45-12 noon every  
Saturday. The eight week pro-  
gram will be instructed by Rob-  
ert Reilly, who holds a second  
degree black belt in the sport  
of Judo. Mr. Reilly will teach  
the youngsters the art of fall-  
ing, basic judo throws as well  
as the sport itself of judo and

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competition. Reilly stated that  
those wishing to pursue the class  
further at its completion will be  
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## Auto Insurance Reform Bill Questions And Answers

Prepared by Rep. Michael S. Dukakis, Democratic Candidate for Lt. Governor.

### Q. WHAT IS THIS NEW SYSTEM ALL ABOUT?

A. The new system is a major revision of our present auto insurance laws. It is patterned after the ideas contained in the so-called Keeton-O'Connell plan. The old compulsory coverage provided for payments of up to \$5000 for each person injured as a result of another driver's limit of \$10,000 per accident.) Except for small claims see (b) and (c) below, those benefits are still available under the new law. In addition the new system provides for no-fault benefits up to \$2000:

a) Every person occupying an insured car or a pedestrian struck by such a car would recover from the company insuring the car his medical, hospital and funeral expenses and up to 75% of his net wage or salary loss, regardless of who caused

the accident, subject to a maximum of \$200 per injured person.

b) An injured person would have all the rights he has today to bring a suit against the person at fault for his losses (including medical or hospital expenses and loss of wages or salary) not paid for under this new no-fault coverage.

c) Injured persons who incur hospital and medical expenses in excess of \$500 would have the right to make a claim for pain and suffering expenses are not more than \$500, an injured person could make a claim for pain and suffering if the injury caused death or resulted in loss of a limb or other body member, loss of sight or hearing, or a fracture, or in disfigurement (such as scarring).

### Q. WHAT ABOUT HIGHER RATES FOR DRIVERS UNDER 25?

A. Drivers under 25 will, in all probability, continue to be charged higher rates.

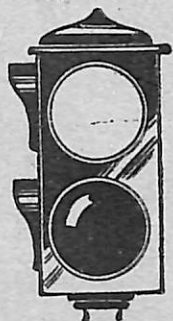
### Q. SHALL I BUY THE KIND OF COVERAGE I ALREADY HAVE?

A. Yes, with one exception. If you currently are carrying "medical payments coverage" with a low limit, you may want to drop this coverage because it is your no-fault benefit subject to the \$2000 limit.

### Q. AM I PAID FOR MY HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL BILLS

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### EVEN THOUGH I HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE WHICH HAS ALREADY PAID ALL OR PART OF THEM?

A. Yes, But if you do not want double payment, you can choose a deductible under your no-fault benefits, and receive savings substantially greater than the 15% 1970 compulsory rate which the bill provides for those who do not take a deductible.

### Q. HOW ARE PEDESTRIANS PROTECTED?

A. A pedestrian will be paid by the policy of the car that hits him.

### Q. WILL I RECEIVE PAIN AND SUFFERING BENEFITS?

A. You may sue for pain and suffering damages, based on the fault of some other person, if your hospital and medical expenses are in excess of \$500 or if the injury results in loss of limb or other body member, disfigurement (such as scarring), loss of sight or hearing, or a fracture.

### Q. WHAT ABOUT ACCIDENTS THAT INVOLVE OUT-OF-STATE MOTORISTS?

A. The out-of-state motorist will not be entitled to no-fault benefits. If he sues you, claiming you were at fault, your compulsory policy will protect you against this suit in the same way it has done under the old law.

### Q. IS THERE A MERIT PLAN IN THE NEW BILL?

A. Yes. Persons convicted of motor vehicle violations will be penalized by increases in their premiums. Persons with accident free records will receive discounts. The specific details of the merit rating plan will be drawn up by the Commissioner of Insurance and will go into effect in 1972.

### Q. DOES THE NEW SYS-

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### TEM REWARD RECKLESS DRIVERS?

A. No. The new law authorizes companies to deny no-fault benefits to those persons whose injuries result from their own drunken driving, driving under the influence of drugs, seeking to avoid arrest, or driving with the intent to injure themselves or others. Furthermore, persons convicted of motor vehicle violations will be surcharged under the merit plan.

### Q. HOW CAN I SAVE MONEY UNDER THE NEW BILL?

A. The law says each motorist will receive at least a 15% reduction in his compulsory rate. You may elect the deductible under your no-fault benefit and receive additional savings. If you currently carry medical payments coverage and decide to drop it, you will save the entire medical payments premium.

The bill also provides for a 15% across the board reduction in all other coverages. The validity of this provision is in doubt and will probably be decided in the courts.

### Q. HOW AM I PROTECTED AGAINST HIT AND RUN DRIVERS AND STOLEN CAR OPERATORS?

A. Uninsured motorist coverage will continue to be included as part of the usual insurance package. In addition, an injured person will be entitled, for the first time, to recover up to \$2000 in no-fault benefits if he is injured by such an operator.

### Q. WHAT ABOUT THOSE WHAT ABOUT THOSE COMPANIES WHO SAY THEY WON'T SELL ANY MORE INSURANCE?

A. The companies have not complained about the no-fault and merit rating provisions of the bill. They are particularly concerned about the 15% across the board reduction, which will probably be resolved in the courts.

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### Boy Scout Program Resumes This Month

With the start of the 1970-71 school year the program of the Boy Scouts of America in West Springfield and Agawam will resume again. At present there are over 1,000 boys involved in the Scouting program in our community being members of Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops and Explorer Posts. They are sponsored by numerous institutions, civic groups and fraternal organizations.

All across the nation Scouting is seeking to win the hearts of more than 5 million of our nation's youth, making it the largest organization of its type in the United States. This year Scouting has celebrated 60 years of service to our nation's youth. In 1916 the United States Congress chartered the Boy Scouts of America as the organization to instill in young men the values of citizenship training, physical fitness, and character development. Never before in the history of our nation has the need of an effective program of this type been so necessary.

The ultimate issue it is generally agreed is the hearts and minds of our youth, which is obviously the future. Here is where Scouting, strangely hidden from public view, is the area where one good man who cares about young people, can have a lasting influence on perhaps even one young man! Scouting seeks to strengthen the value system of the home, the church and the school. It doesn't preach but encourages the boy to find himself, to think for himself, to develop confidence in himself. We try to turn a boy into a whole man. Very often, all complex psychological theories aside, if the boy has contact with one good man in Scouting it could serve as his ideal for his entire life. Sadly enough for some boys that could be the only good man he will ever know in his life.

If you want to get involved, if you care about our youth then the Pioneer Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America is the place to begin. Encourage your boy to join the Scouts, it is a father and son involvement program and the best chance for your son to know you and for you to know what makes him tick.

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